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Public Service Commission
PO Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602

Tuesday, October 04, 2005

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to ask that the Public Service Commission consider rejecting the proposal from Louisville Gas and Electric Company to raise the rates of Natural Gas to the extent they have requested.

As a consumer, I lowered my thermostat last Fall and Winter, saving one third in Gas consumption over the previous year. To my dismay, I still paid one third more for this reduced usage than the previous year.

When I read in the media that "L.G.&E will be making only "normal" profits and therefore the rate increase should be granted", my question is, why should the Public Service Commission guarantee L.G.&E "normal" profits (by permitting the rate increase) but insure a loss of discretionary income to all its customers? I would feel a bit more sympathetic if the L.G.&E proposal included a proposed REDUCTION of profit, not a loss you understand but something less than the present proposed status quo.

Yours sincerely,



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